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Art Unit	2871
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a. ☐ Previously submitted

- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____

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- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

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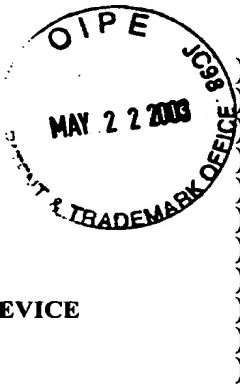
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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2003, and the phone interviews with the Examiner on April 15 & 17, 2003, the period of response to which is set to expire on June 5, 2003. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute claims 1-2 with the following amended claims:

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A liquid crystal display device comprising a pair of substrates as disposed to spatially oppose each other with a layer of liquid crystal material interposed therebetween and a seal material used for adhesion of one of the substrates to a remaining substrate, said seal material also having a function of encapsulating the liquid crystal material, wherein

a plurality of photolithographically formed projection bodies are precisely dispersed on one of said substrates in a predetermined shape thereof at a desired location thereon, and then said seal material is formed on said one of said substrates to bury said projection bodies therewithin.

The liquid crystal display device as recited in claim 1, wherein said plurality projection bodies are parallel-disposed.

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